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FOR: FABRIC ARTICLE TREATING  
METHOD AND DEVICE COMPRISING A  
HEATING MEANS

P&amp;G CASE: 9400M

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 7, 2006**Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is responsive to the Office Action dated September 7, 2006. As a matter of review, the instant application is comprised of Claims 1 - 25. Claims 5 and 17 were previously cancelled without prejudice. The Office Action indicates that Claims 1 - 4, 6 - 16, and 18 - 25 are now subject to a restriction requirement. The grouping of Claims presented by the Examiner are as follows:

Group I: Claims 1 - 4 and 6 - 10 drawn to a combination of a fabric treatment system and a fabric article drying appliance classified in class 34, subclass 597.

Group II: Claims 11 - 16 and 18 - 21 drawn to a subcombination of a removably attached device per se, classified in class 69, subclass 235R.

Group III: Claims 22 - 25 drawn to a method of treating fabric, classified in class 34, subclass 343.


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